under the current levy sugar formula, is short of the requirements for the PDS. In these circumstances, it has not been found possible to enhance the allocation of sugar under the PDS for State Governments/UTs by linking it to a more recent population figure. The Government of Gujarat has been informed of this position.

Transfer of Technology

*58. SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL:

Will the Minister of SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state;

(a) the names of foreign counties who offered transfer of technology in various spheres during the last three years;

(b) the details of such offers; and

(c) whether Government have taken any decision thereon?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT AND THE MINISTER OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) There are several foreign countries from where offers for tecnology, services and others in various spheres were approved by the Government during the last three years. These are included in the *Annexure* (*See* below)

(b) These offers are in various spheres such as chemicals, electrical and electronics, mechanical, metallurgical, textile and others. These involves, equity participation and payments towards lumpsum fee, royalty based on production value, training expenses etc., nature and quantum of which vary from case to case.

(c) The number of foreign collaborations involving import of technology, services and others approved by the Government during 1995, 1996 and 1997 were 2337, 2303 and 2325 respectively.

Annexure

Foreign countries from where offers for technology, services and others in various spheres were approved by the Government during the last three years

Sl. No.	Name of countries where company collaborator located
1.	Afganistan
2.	Argentina
3.	Armenia
4.	Australia
5.	Austria
6.	Bahamas
7.	Bahrain
8.	Belgium
9.	Bermuda
10.	British Virginia
11.	Bulgaria
12.	Canada
13.	Cayman Island
14.	Channel Island
15.	China
16.	Cyprus
17.	Czech Republic
18.	Denmark
19.	Estonia
20.	Egypt
21.	Finland
22.	France
23.	Germany
24.	Gibraltar
25.	Greece
26.	Hawai Islands
27.	Hong Kong
28.	Hungary
29.	Iceland
30.	Indonesia
31.	Iran
32.	Ireland
33.	Isle of Man
34.	Israel
35.	Italy
36.	Jamaica
37.	Japan
38.	Jordan
39.	Kenya
40.	Kuwait
41.	Liecjtemsteom
42.	Luxembourg
43.	Malaysia
44.	Maldova
45.	Malta
46.	Mauritius
47.	Mexico
48.	Nepal
49.	Netherlands

Sl. No.	Name of countries where company collaborator located
50.	New Zealands
51.	Nigeria
52.	Norway
53.	Oman
54.	Panama
55.	Papua New Guinea
56.	Philippines
57.	Poland
58.	Portugal
59.	Quatar
60.	Romania
61.	Russia
62.	San Salvador
63.	Saudi Arabia
64.	Scotland
65.	Singapore
66.	Slovakia
67.	Slovenia
68.	South Africa
69.	South Korea
70.	Spain
71.	Sri Lanka
72.	Sudan
73.	Sweden
74.	Switzerland
75.	Taiwan
76.	Tatarstan
77.	Thailand
78.	UAE
79.	UK
80.	USA
81.	Ukraine
82.	Vietnam
83.	West Indies
84.	Yugoslavia

Fee for different categories of students of Dental Colleges

*59. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether seats in MDS courses in dental colleges are categorised (i) merit and (ii) management seats;

(b) if so, details of different fee charged from both the categories of students of dental colleges preparing for MDS courses as also the deciding authority therefor; and

(c) whether college managements are subject to the control of Union Health Ministry?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI DALIT EZHILMALAI): (a) to (c) The Central Govrnment and the Dental Council of India have not framed any regulations under the Dentists Act categorising seats of MDS courses in Dental Colleges as (i) merit and (ii) management seats. Although the fees for the merit based and payment seats in BDS courses have been notified by the Central Government, no such fee strucure has been notified for the MDS courses which varies from College to College and State to State. Information in respect of fees charged was sought from State and U.T. Governments and various Dental Colleges running MDS courses and as per available information, the position is as under:—

	State Government Dental College	Seats		Fees	
		Merit Seats	Payment Seats	Merit Seats	Payment Seats
1.	Govt. of Maharashtra	Yes	Nil	4,000 p.a.	Nil
2.	Annamalai University	Yes	Yes	20,000 p.a.	80,000 p.a.
3.	SDM College of Dental Sciences, Dharwad, Karnataka	Yes	Yes	As fixed by Govt. of Karnataka	1.50 lakhs for full course
4.	College of Dental Sciences, Davangere Karnataka	2 (Govt. (Seats)	10	-do-	96,000